REMARKS

Claim 2 has been amended, and no claims have been canceled or withdrawn. Claims 1 – 17 are currently under examination.

With respect to the glucocorticoid recited in claim 2, Applicants elect beclomethasone.

All of the claims are readable on beclomethasone.

With respect to the tissue type recited in claim 4, Applicants elect lung. All of the claims are readable on lung.

With respect to claim 5, Applicants elect beclomethasone. All of the claims are readable on beclomethasone.

With respect to claim 8, Applicants elect injection. All of the claims are readable on injection.

With respect to claim 9, Applicants elect administration of the glucocorticoid prior to delivery of the gene. All of the claims are readable on administration of glucocorticoid prior to delivery of the gene.

With respect to claim 10, Applicants elect a non-human animal. All of the claims are readable on non-human animals.

With respect to claim 11, Applicants elect a synthetic glucocorticoid. All of the claims are readable on synthetic glucocorticoid.

With respect to claim 12, Applicants elect delivery via cationic lipid transfection. All of the claims are readable on delivery via cationic lipid transfection.

With respect to claim 14, Applicants elect a recombinant gene. All of the claims are readable on recombinant genes.

With respect to claim 15, Applicants elect a plasmid. All of the claims are readable on plasmids.

Applicants believe that the foregoing remarks fully respond to all outstanding matters for this application. Applicants respectfully request that the rejections of all claims be withdrawn so they may pass to issuance.

Should the Examiner desire to sustain any of the rejections discussed in relation to this Response, the courtesy of a telephonic conference between the Examiner, the Examiner's supervisor, and the undersigned attorney at 512-536-3055 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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